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To come to what befell. We started, but put back to port, Which much anaoyed the swell. he fell between two waterways And got a nasty nip. So we rigged her out with brand new stay: Judge-The lady?

Tar-No-o, the ship

And started for the west, All spick and span without a stain. When all at once, I'm blest, Her blooming timbers got misplaced, Which quite upset the trip. The water washed around her waist Judge-The lady's?

Tar (noading)-And the ship's That's all, I think, your Honor; now I'll state to you my claim. Five bundred dollars, you'll allow, Won't build her up the same. Her rudder's gone, her nose is broke, WHOLESALE MANUFACTURERS OF Her flag I've bad to dip, She's lying now upon the mud-

Judge-The lady ? Tar-No-o-o, the ship! Henry B. Cornish, in St. Louis Globe

### THE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM IN POLITICS.

It is openly charged that since overnor Montague, while yet Attorney-General, became a candidate for the governorship, the public school system of this State has been made, so far as he could make it, a political machine.

Every well informed politician in Virginia knows that Montague has used and abused his power of ap-pointment of county and city school of his own political fortunes. In his fight against Swanson for

the governorship, Montague used his printed for it. power over the county school superintendents with as much merciless-

partizans of which wing are regnant in the State Board of Education; he is closely allied with the straightout faction in Norfolk county, which fection is committed in the straightout class or examination a girl who you thought would cheat in order not to

The proposition of the State Board of Education to form districts would be just as sensible to ask throughout the State, composed of whether it is more righteous to steal The proposition of the State Board of Education to form districts throughout the State, composed of several counties, with one superintendent of schools to take charge of each, is in line with the tendency in this State, at present, to reduce the number of salaried officers, to pay better salaries, and thus to secure the services of better men. In the cory, the reasons offered for the province of the salaries, and thus to secure the services of better men. In the cory man knows only too well that of the province of the services of better men. In the cory man knows only too well that of the province of the services of the services of better men. In the cory man knows only too well that the services of better men. In the cory man knows only too well that the services of the services of better men. In the cory man knows only too well that the services of the services of better men. In the cory man knows only too well that the services of the services of better men. In the cory man knows only too well that the services of better men. In the cory is thought the services hid not the suspers, should retaliate by thought they did not the on his paper, should retaliate by sholding up to the public gaze all the services of a stall finder, what would be just as sensible to ask (From the Business Areas.)

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our judiciary system was brought about by the same kind of reasoning which now prompts the State Board of Education, and the change has proven unpopular with the people, no more effective in the administration of jusice, and almost, if not quite, as expensive.

sort when it works a benefit to the fourteen to sixteen years. greatest number of persons interested, but in order to make it effective, in the case of school districts, we must, scholars can be had to make the re-

Therefore while the plan may be all right under the proper conditions, at present the proper conditions do not exist in most of the rural dis-

fruit. But before the taxpayers

with the amount of money approness as ever Boss Croker did over the municipal officials of the State of New York.

The sole question four years ago was whether the applicant for the position of a county or city superintendent was a Montague man. If he was not a Montague man he stood no show, no matter what were his services or his recommendations. There applies not only to the system in 147,000 negroes who were qualified charge.

which the circumstances attending what embarrassing examination in

City School Board, the judge of the Hustings Court, the Mayor of the city and the requisite number of private citizens, the people of Portsmouth asked for the reappointment asked for the responsitude and thereby asked for the sponding receive the attention of the S.P. C.A. It is a shame the heads of the people of Portsmouth and landed in a position where they wished another. So where they wished another. So mend the first principle of home the heads of the people of Portsmouth and landed in a position where they wished another. So mend the first principle of home the heads of the people of Portsmouth and landed in a position where they wished another. So maked first principle of home the heads of the people of Portsmouth and landed in a position where they wished another. So maked first principle of home the heads of the people of Portsmouth and landed in a position where they wished another. So maked first principle of home the heads of the people of Portsmouth and landed in a position where they wished another. So maked first principle of home the heads of the people of Portsmouth and landed in a position where they wished another. So most of the contract the first principle of home the heads of the people of Portsmouth and landed in a position where they wished another. So most of the contract the principle of home the principle of home the people of Portsmouth and landed in a position where they wished another. So most of the contract will make an appropriation of money with which to do this monstrously stempts and private the wished another. So most of the reappoint of the their fieldsh ingenuity with which to do this monstrously stempts and private with which to do this monstrously stempts and private time the race of boiled to a thin paste, and stirred in while hot, one-half the man white and the proposed by the private time white the private with which to do this monstrously stempts and the required with where the meaning trace and the proper with the one advantage of being cleast and strict the with th

ITEMS OF INTEREST. seed corn if only they can have a mortgage on the crop.

A dog lives on the average from

Whether it is best to have target first of all, have good roads. Schools fishing industry, is a question now vessels, or to foster and preserve the are open in the winter season, when before the Naval and Commerce and the roads are at their worst, and the Labor Departments. It is found school houses are scattered about that the target practice drives away wherever a sufficient number of the fish and protests against it have

twice during each term, besides at- The Turkish longshoremen, perhaps money? Why not try a four-inch tending to the other duties of his the most powerful bipeds of the single with a nice little bargain offer, office. With an average of from 15 planet (except the gorilla), are lifeto 25 school houses in each county, and the usual winter roads, it is easily conceivable that a superintendent of a district, composed of several counties, could hardly give several counties, could hardly give each school in his district, the proper each school in his district the proper Japanese, and the Chinese coolies are all vegetarians.

magnates in New York said the other day: "Every month, there is poured into Wall Street brokers' offices \$30,000,000 by the people throughout the country who are EDUCATE THE EDUCATORS. anxious to pick up a little something It is stated that one of the chief for nothing on a quick gamble. Of fair minded people of Virginia are to the importance of more liberal ap again with dribbles back to the in- Montague. propriations for school purposes. vesting suckers, an additional suppropriations for school purposes. That is eminently proper and comply. The public not in? They are the chief executive repudiating all mendable, and it is to be hoped that always in—but possibly not always precedents and denouncing his

become fully and properly receptive to the lessons of a campaign for a more extensive and expensive public school system, they are likely to nause and enquire if the present

It was a huge task, to undertake the cure of such a bad case of kidney disease, as that of C. F. Collier, of Cherokee, Ia., but Elecwhich the circumstances attending Mr. Saunders' appointment portend the discussion of this matter from the standpoint of personal preferences would be the idlest waste of time and words. And what are these ugly circumstances? Mr. Saunders' is actively identified with the Montague faction in State politics, known as the Montague wing, the partizans of which wing are regnant.

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purposes of the May educational campaign, now in progress throughout the State, is to educate the people of the rest only to be sent to the Street as such, but as one of her brilliant sons bearing the honored name of

worthy antagonist on every stump.

system is productive of effective and satisfactory results commensurate with the amount of money approvariable effect; and odor and taste he deserves endorsation for the re- and fancied it. He forthwith said The campaign of education should begin with the educators themselves, and the first thing they should learn stimulate and then depress to a greater degree. Digestion diminpartment runner," then let us have more of the same kind in both Martin replied that he, too, liked the

### POINTS FOR SMOKERS. (From the Medical Brief.)

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With spring-blown tributes tender'd For our laddies true and brave-'Mid songs and tears we'll scatter O'er their "cold and silent grave." While show'ring bloom-drifts o'er our

Hope(God's Heart'sease) quells all pain We'll meet again in Heav'n's fair future Where death's angel kens no reign. Knowing that on Eden's banks The lost comrades of our ranks.

Live for that union beyond the starshine; Turn from your sorrow-God's promise is thine

Bring radiant flowers to strew o'er the Live with a faith that can with God: Daisies all white-rimm'd with hearts

pure gold

Fall like the snowflakes o'er cover'd mold Watch o'er the dust: Keep for the living love's vigil so true

ember your dead each sunlit young May-Yet, live for the living, O friends, today! -Hattie P. Weadon, Alexandria Gazette.

FABLE OF THE MARTIN AND THE WOODPECKER. A Martin had lived for many years in a comfortable nest under

more showy than substantial. This how, nor matter what were his series of wanting indications that great the noundered showing that of the system in office at Ports mouth, who was endorsed by every body, was turned down and a Montague is trying the same defect in public school system of the Star's remarks below of deasterdly high ground or deasterdly high ground or deasterdly high ground or deasterdly high ground from the Star's remarks below of deasterdly high ground or deasterdly high ground from the Star's remarks below of de

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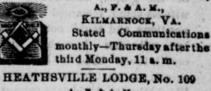
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